AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A label for attaching over an edge of a stock member to insure reliably folding along a fold-line over said edge, the label comprising:
a substantially planar first layer having a first surface adapted to being printed on and a second surface; and

a second layer including a non-adhesive label material which is permanently attached to the second surface of the first layer, the second layer having an adhesive on an outer surface of the non-adhesive label material, the non-adhesive label material of the second layer having a first section and a second section having a gap therebetween, said gap defining a fold-line section in the first layer, said gap providing a way to reliably fold along said line, the second layer covering substantially all of the second surface of the first layer except for the fold-line section, wherein when a folding pressure is applied to the label, the label folds along the fold-line section such that the first section of the second layer is attachable to a first side of the stock member and the second section of the second layer is attachable to a second side of the stock member.

2. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the second layer includes an adhesive on an outer surface of the second layer.

3. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the gap comprises a series of perforations.

4. (Currently Amended) The label of claim 1, wherein the gap comprises a section of complete separation between each of the two or more second layer sections thereby providing visually discernability said fold-line with the gap be more translucent than adjacent portions.

5. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the gap comprises a discontinuity in the second layer.

6. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the fold-line section is offset from a centerline of the first layer.

7. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the second layer has at least two gaps and wherein the label is foldable upon a three dimensional tab member.

8. (Previously presented) The label of claim 1, wherein the second layer has a thickness wherein neither the first section nor the second section of the second layer bends substantially when the folding pressure is applied to the label.

9. (Original) The label of claim 1, wherein the second layer comprises a material which is darker than the material of the first layer.

10. (Currently Amended) The label of claim 9, wherein the gap is visually discernible through the first layer.

11. (Currently Amended) A label foldable along a fold-line comprising:
a substantially planar first layer; and
a second layer attached to the first layer and having at least two sections at least partially separated by a gap, the gap being visually discernible through the first layer, the second layer having an adhesive on an outer surface for applying the label to a stock member having at least two surfaces;
wherein the label reliably folds along the discernible gap as a consequence of thicker portions on either side of the gap such that the at least two sections are mountable on different surfaces of the stock member when the label is applied over an edge of the stock member.

12. (Currently Amended) The label of claim 11, wherein the second layer comprises a visually lighter material than the first layer.

13. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the second layer comprises a darker material than the first layer.

14. (Original) The label of claim 13, wherein the second layer comprises a security label material.

15. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the gap indicates a label fold-line for matching with the edge of the stock member.

16. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the gap defines a fold-line section in the first layer.

17. (Original) The label of claim 16, wherein the first layer folds along the fold-line section when a folding force is applied to the label.

18. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the gap comprises a series of perforations.

19. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the gap comprises a section of complete separation between each of the two or more second layer sections.

20. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the gap is offset from a centerline of the first layer.

21. (Original) The label of claim 11, wherein the second layer has at least two gaps and wherein each gap is visible through the first layer.

22. (Currently Amended) A label comprising:
a first layer having a top surface adapted to being printed on and a bottom surface; and
a second layer attached to the bottom surface of the first layer, the second layer comprising two or more sections, wherein between each of the two or more sections is a gap, each gap defining a visually discernible fold-line section in the first layer, the second

layer comprising a darker material than the first layer, wherein each gap is discernible through the first layer and indicates the fold-line section of the first layer, the first layer folds along the fold-line section when a folding force is applied to the label.

23. (Original) The label of claim 22, wherein the second layer comprises a security label material.

24. (Original) The label of claim 22, wherein the gap comprises a series of perforations.

25. (Original) The label of claim 22, the gap comprises a section of separation between each of the two or more second layer sections.

Claims 26-29 (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) A method of applying and folding a label to an edge of a stock member, the method comprising:
aligning the label such that a visually discernible gap of the label is aligned with an edge of the stock member;
applying a first portion of the label to a first side of the edge of the stock member; folding the label along the discernible gap which is defined by a weakened fold-line running along a surface of the label, the weakened fold-line located between the first portion of the label and a second portion of the label thereby defining a reliable and predictable fold-line; and
applying the second portion of the label to a second side of the edge of the stock member.

31. (Original) The method of claim 30, wherein the discernible gap is discernible through a first layer of the label.

Claims 32-33 (Cancelled)

34. (Previously Presented) A label comprising:

a substantially planar first layer; and

a second layer permanently attached to the first layer and having an adhesive on an outer surface of the second layer, the second layer including a first section and a second section at least partially separated by a gap which is visually discernible through the first layer, wherein the label folds along the visually discernible gap such that a user folding the label can predict where the label will fold by perceiving the visually discernible gap through the first layer.

35. (Currently Amended) A method of constructing a label which is easily alignable and predictably foldable along a fold-line, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a label having a first layer having a top surface adapted to being printable;

applying an adhesive configured to form an axial channel, such that it defines a visually discernible gap;

wherein the combination of first layer and adhesive has different light transmission properties than the first layer alone, thereby creating a visually discernible gap at the channel;

wherein the axial channel is of sufficient width to create a single fold line when a folding force is applied to the label.